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- 11. Embassy has reviewed its internal files and records in accordance with standardized vetting procedures and finds no derogatory information on the following unit commanders of the Paraguayan security forces that are intended recipients of U.S. training and/or security assistance (refs A-D). Jose Alfredo Pintos is the newly named commander of the Paraguayan Helicopters Group Unit, which was previously vetted as a unit (ref E). Guido Mateo Cardozo is the newly named commander of the Paraguayan Air Transport Group, which was previously vetted as a unit (ref E).
- 12. Candidate name: Jose Alfredo Pintos Ledesma

DOB: May 14, 1962

POB: Asuncion, Paraguay Nationality: Paraguayan Unit: Helicopters Group

13. Candidate name: Guido Mateo Cardozo

DOB: September 21, 1960

POB: Arroyos y Esteros, Paraguay

Nationality: Paraguayan Unit: Air Transport Group

- 14. Embassy requests State Department vetting of the above unit commanders by no later than July 15, 2009, so that the planned training and material support can move forward.
- 15. POC for this request is Embassy Asuncion Human Rights Officer Michael Edwards, telephone: 011-595-21-213-715, e-mail: edwardsmg@state.gov.

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